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முன்னால் மாஸ்டர் ப்ளான் தயாரித்து, டவுன் ப்ளானிங் ஆபீஸர் வந்திருந்து 2 வருடம் வொர்க் செய்து மாஸ்டர் ப்ளான் தயாரித்துக் கொடுத்தார்கள், அது என்னவாயிற்று?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : இருபத்திரண்டு முனிசிபாலிட்டிகளுக்கு டெவலப்மென்ட் ப்ளான் தயாராகிறது. அதில் நாகர்கோவில் ஒருக்கால் இருக்கலாம். மாஸ்டர் ப்ளான் இருக்கும் என்று நினைக்கவில்லை, இருந்தாலும் இருக்கலாம்.

T.B. Chemotherapy Centre, Madras

* 1445 Q.—**SRI A. A. RASHEED :**

SRI N. K. PALANISAMI : } Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that the Tuberculosis Chemotherapy Centre, Egmore, Madras, has been shifted to Bangalore: and

(b) if so, the reason therefor?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : (a) The Tuberculosis Chemotherapy Centre would be wound up by the end of October 1961.

(b) As the Chemotherapy experiment conducted in the Centre has concluded, the Centre would be closed by October 1961.

* 1446 Q.—**SRI M. P. SARATHI :** கனம் ரெவின்யூ அமைச்சர் தயவு செய்து கீழ்க்கண்ட கேள்விகளுக்குப் பதிலளிப்பாரா—

(அ) சென்னை எழும்பூரிலுள்ள காசநோய் சோதனை நிலையம் (Tuberculosis Chemotherapy Centre) எப்போது நிறுவப் பட்டது?

(இ) அந்த நிலையம் ஆற்றியுள்ள பணி என்ன?

(உ) அந்த நிலையத்தை முடிவிடும்படி மத்திய சர்க்கார் ஆணை யிட்டுள்ளனரா?

(எ) அந்த நிலையம் மூடப்படாமல் தொடர்ந்து இங்கேயே பணியாற்ற இந்த அரசாங்கம் என்ன நடவடிக்கை எடுத்துள்ளது?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : (a) In April 1956.

(b) The Centre has conducted Research as to how effectively the new anti-bacterial drugs can be used in treating tuberculosis patients in their homes as compared to the treatment in hospitals. The study was also utilised to ascertain the prevalence of Tuberculosis in family contacts as well as the attack rates in subsequent years. Many papers embodying the results of the researches and surveys undertaken at the Centre were published in Indian and Foreign Medical Journals.

(c) The Government of India have stated that as the Chemotherapy experiment has concluded, the Centre may be wound up by October 1961.

(d) Does not arise.

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SRI A. A. RASHEED : Sir, may I know whether any representation has been made to the Union Government for the retention of the Chemotherapy Centre in our State and if so, what the reply received thereon is?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : Even before the Central Government came to the conclusion of closing the Centre, this Government brought it to the notice of the Central Government, that all the Research Centres have to be conducted by the Centre according to the new pattern. Formerly, it was the combined endeavour of both the Centre and the State Governments. Under the new pattern all research work and centres connected with it should be conducted by the Central Government. This thing has been pointed out to the Centre. When the Union Minister was here in Madras a delegation met him about this. We have represented this matter to him.

SRI A. A. RASHEED : Sir, is the Hon. Minister aware that the public mind is agitated over the closure of this centre?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : Public mind may be agitated over so many things. Here the question is the centre was started for a specific purpose and according to the Centre's opinion that purpose is finished. But this Government feel that there is scope for further follow up in the matter and this Government had made that known to the Central Government.

SRI K. VINAYAKAM : Sir, from the answer given by the Hon. Minister are we to understand that we have come to the last letter 'Z' as far as the research work is concerned in T.B. Chemotherapy? Have we exhausted all the research work in this respect? Is there no more research to be carried out? Why did not the Madras Government protest against this attitude of the Centre to shift the centre to the neighbouring State?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : I think research on these matters will be necessary as long as man lives. Here we have to consider the particular aspect of the question, that is, what will be the results or benefits of the domiciliary treatment; that research according to the experts is over. But other kinds of research are going on and they are having a regular research centre at Bangalore, where different aspects of the disease of T.B. are under research.

SRI R. SRINIVASA IYER : Sir, if the centre is closed and shifted to Bangalore, what is the proposal of this Government to utilise the building and other materials which are at that centre?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : That will arise only when the centre is actually closed. But we are still trying our best to see whether a follow up may not be continued and we are at it.

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SRI A. A. RASHEED : Sir, if the Government of India are not prepared to run it, will the State Government try to run it with their own funds?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : Especially when the research is being tried at the other place like Bangalore on a large scale, I do not know whether it will be worthwhile for us to run it on our behalf. Let us wait. We have not yet given up all hopes.

Hospital without doctors

*** 1447 Q.—SRI R. SRINIVASA IYER** (on behalf of **SRI N. R. THIAGARAJAN**) : கனம் ரெவின்யூ அமைச்சர் தயவுசெய்து கீழ்க்கண்ட கேள்விகளுக்குப் பதிலளிப்பாரா—

(அ) நமது ராஜ்யத்தில் கடைசியாக கிடைத்த தகவல்படி எத்தனை ஆஸ்பத்திரிகளில் டாக்டர்கள் இல்லை?

(இ) டாக்டர்கள் தேவை என்று எத்தனை தடவை விளம்பரம் செய்யப்பட்டது?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : (அ) Two Primary Health Centres.

() The Madras Public Service Commission advertised twice during 1960 and once in 1961 for recruitment of Civil Assistant Surgeons.

SRI R. SRINIVASA IYER : This question relates to hospitals wherein doctors are not appointed. The Hon. Minister has given the reply only with reference to the Primary Health Centre.

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : The answer is in respect of Government medical institutions without doctors. There is no hospital or dispensary without a doctor manning any Government institutions. With regard to the two Primary Health Centres in which there are no doctors, doctors are being posted. They have not joined. But there are 60 vacancies in the hospitals. There are other doctors also. There are additional doctors.

SRI R. SRINIVASA IYER : There are some Local Fund Dispensaries in which there are no doctors. I think in the rural dispensaries also the same is the case. Is there any proposal either to appoint retired persons available or the private practitioners?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : That is the concern of the Local Boards. Hereafter all hospitals with beds will become the concern of the Government. Only dispensaries will be under the control of the Panchayat and Panchayat Union Councils and that is a matter for the Local Bodies to look into.

SRI K. VINAYAKAM : Is it not a fact that of late there have been series of resignations of qualified doctors from Government service due to the intransigent attitude of the Department concerned in the matter of transferring them to places where it would